### **Arkansas State Archives**

## **Arkansas Digital Archives**

Japanese American internment in Arkansas

Online exhibits

# Weekly general comment by project director

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalheritage.arkansas.gov/exhibits-online-japaneseamerican-internment



Part of the United States History Commons

#### **Recommended Citation**

Weekly general comment by project director, Austin Smith papers, Arkansas State Archives, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Use and reproduction of images held by the Arkansas State Archives without prior written permission is prohibited. For information on reproducing images held by the Arkansas State Archives, please call 501-682-6900 or email at state.archives@arkansas.gov.

WEEKLY REPORT ROHWER RELOCATION CENTER May 20, 1944

### GENERAL COMMENT BY PROJECT DIRECTOR

The second train of the third segregation movement left the Center at 10:15 a.m. on May 17. The freight had been picked up on May 15 and baggage had been loaded on the 16th. The same system of loading was followed that was used the previous week, except that more trucks were assigned to each coach and this speeded up operations considerably. The Jerome people who made up part of the train did not arrive until the Rohwer residents and their hand baggage had been loaded. Those from Jerome were brought to this Center by trucks. Approximately 145 people came from Jerome and 145 left from Rohwer. The remainder of the train load was to be made up of residents of Granada.

When the train which left the 9th was being loaded some difficulty was encountered in keeping the spectators back from the track but this situation was remedied when the train left this week and no one was a lowed near the train except those who had important duties to perform.

The train which left here May 9 did not reach Tule take until 9:00 a.m., May 14. According to the schedule it was to reach there at 2:00 p.m. on the previous day but considerable delay was experienced because of stops for the repair of railroad equipment.

The NRA train representative on this trip reported that no other difficulty was encountered and that an excellent relationship existed between the segregants and the army personnel throughout the whole trip. As a whole the Tule "ake people were very cooperative and the trip was as pleasant as circumstances permitted.